Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-12-05

Issued at Cordova, Alaska
October 3, 2005

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
October 4, 2005

Expiration Date: June 30, 2006
unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting season for mountain goat in the southwestern portion of registration permit hunt RG242. The closed portion is bounded by Port Gravina, Sheep Bay, and by the Sheep, Gravina, and Beartrap Rivers in Unit 6(D). All other mountain goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Game Management Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040(2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(2) Unit 6(D), Hunt RG242: specifically, that portion of RG242 east of Port Gravina, south of Beartrap Bay, east of Beartrap River, south of Gravina River (south fork), and west of Sheep River and Sheep Bay	Sept. 15 – Oct. 4	Sept. 15 – Oct. 4
1 goat by registration permit only …		

All other mountain goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

Emergency Order No.   December 4, 2001

                                    McKie Campbell
                                    Commissioner

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                    By delegation to: David W. Crowley
                                    Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Aerial surveys during August 2003 indicated a population of about 170 goats in the
southwestern portion of registration permit area RG242. The Department set the maximum
allowable state harvest at 7 goat units. Reported harvest is now 7goat units, including 1
nanny. Last year this portion of RG242 was over-harvested when 17.5 goat units were taken,
including 5 nannies. Additional take beyond the harvest objective could harm the long-term
stability of the population.